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# Enrollment down 62 full-time students

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Wartburg's overall enrollment decreased by 62 full-time students this year, Edie Waldstein, vice president for enrollment management, said.

Last year Wartburg had 1,735 full-time students enrolled. There are now 1,673, with an overall head count of 1,747, which includes part-time students. This is down from last year's overall enrollment of 1,805, Waldstein said.

"It looks like our retention is down from last year," Waldstein said, but she said retention is still being determined. This doesn't mean the school is necessarily losing money.

"If more students left who were getting high aid packages, and more students came in who were receiving low aid packages, one can't assume it's automatically a loss in revenue," Waldstein said. The college is still looking into the net revenue, now that the number of students has just been determined.

If there was a loss in revenue, Waldstein said the President's Budget Advisory Council would talk about how to balance the budget using reallocation and a contingency line.

"If there were a shortfall, we'd update and revise the budget again and that always has to do with reallocation," Waldstein said. "There's always some tweaking going on. Do we want to go over to this area and say, 'well maybe we can get by with a little less over here,' and shift it over here?"

The incoming student count is down as well this year, with 521 new students to last year's 563.

Waldstein said the drop in numbers is due to several factors, including the declining number of high school graduates due to lower birthrates 18 years ago.

"Birthrates are continuing to go down. That pool is smaller than it was in the '90s," Waldstein said.

With less high school graduates, Waldstein said area colleges are competing to draw students from a smaller group. She said Wartburg will not hire more admissions staff for recruiting.

"We're trying to become increasingly competitive. You have to beat the next college so to speak," Waldstein said.

Last year's graduating class of over 400 was the biggest in Wartburg's history, and losing that unusually large number of students makes the decrease in enrollment seem even greater, Waldstein said.

This year has brought an

increase in biology majors, with 343 biology students compared to last year's 314, Waldstein said.

Wartburg also has a record 143 international students this year, Waldstein said, now making up 8 percent of the student body.

Waldstein said while there are minor drops in enrollment,

Wartburg's general trend line is one of growth.

"We want to continue to grow slowly," Waldstein said. "It's good for an institution to grow. In order to do this well, we can't grow overnight."

Waldstein said she thinks the college is in a solid place. The

academic profile of incoming students is similar to past years, with an average high school GPA of 3.47 and an average ACT score of 24, Waldstein said.

"Even in enrollment, which looks like all numbers, there's a qualitative aspect to that as well," she said.

## ENROLLMENT NUMBERS

OVERALL	Full-time/Part-time	INCOMING	Freshmen/Transfer
1,747	2012	521	
1,805	2011	563	
1,775	2010	544	
1,800	2009	534	

Source: Enrollment Management

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## Shah explains economic, cultural history of malaria

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Malaria has influenced and shaped human society throughout all of history, Sonia Shah said Tuesday, Sept. 25 at Wartburg College.

Shah, an investigative journalist and author of "The Fever," spoke to about 350 students, faculty, staff and Waverly community members for the first convocation on campus in Neumann Auditorium. Her address helped to begin the Wartburg Malaria Initiative on campus.

"We've had malaria for a really long time. But, if we want to get rid of this thing it's not going to be about finding the perfect science or the perfect amount of money. It's really about finding the political will," she said. "I just want to congratulate everyone who's working on the Malaria Initiative here. I think it's such a good fight

and it's a way to get involved."

Wartburg students have been actively involved in the fight against malaria in the past. Alumna Jessica Nipp is an Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

Malaria Campaign Associate, alumni Abhay Nadipuram and Rachel Coleman provided mosquito nets to villages in Guyana through a Davis Project for Peace and now Kelsey Nulph is leading

the Wartburg Malaria Initiative. The campaign will raise money to purchase mosquito nets, medicine and educational materials to be sent around the world.

"It's not a mystery. We've known how to cure and prevent malaria for hundreds of years," Shah said.

Monica Edeker said she did not know much about malaria before the convocation and said she was most surprised that even though we know how to prevent malaria, we're not.

Three challenges have prevented the eradication of malaria, Shah said. The scientific, economic and cultural challenges have all contributed to the success of the disease in human populations globally, and have caused a political problem we are currently trying to remedy, Shah said.

Edeker said the cultural



Investigative journalist and author Sonia Shah discusses her malaria research at convocation Sept. 25. — Kristin Canning/TRUMPET

## College reflects on initiation practices during Hazing Week

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Before the Vietnam War, Wartburg freshmen went through a different kind of "orientation" that could be considered hazing, according to Iowa's current Hazing Law.

Students were thrown in the fountain, forced to wear beanies and left outside of campus in their underwear, said Wartburg alumni Linda Moeller and Rev. Larry Trachte.

"I am always amazed that students in my era did all this," Moeller said. "That they went along with some of these practices

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## NEWS

# Wartburg named healthiest college in Iowa

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Wartburg has been selected as the 2012 college/university recipient of the Healthy Iowa Award presented by the Wellness Council of Iowa.

The four-year-old award program recognizes healthy Iowa communities and a healthy Iowa person, Gary Grace, vice president for administration, said.

The criteria of this award includes providing programming for faculty and staff, leader in wellness in higher education, demonstrates impact of programming and shows data, Dawn Wiegmann, director of wellness & health promotion, said.

To figure out what types of programs Wartburg should provide or improve, surveys are given out and show what type of action Wartburg can support, Grace said.

"We have a culture that supports wellness," Grace said.

Wiegmann provides learning opportunities, newsletters, health screenings and feedback to all who meet with her individually.

"The W' is just a small part of it, it's how you promote it as well," Grace said.

The goal is to have students become aware of the wellness



'The W' is only one part of how Wartburg shows how it promotes wellness to students, faculty and staff. Wartburg offers other programs that include; health screenings for students. — Emily Novotny/ TRUMPET

programs Wartburg offers and to have it become a cultural thing across campus, Grace said.

During the processes Wartburg came out on top with the high honors but there were other schools that were in the running. That information was not available and

for each award category only one school or person won an award, Wiegmann said.

Grace said while it's nice to have an award to show Wartburg's success and it does recognize the good work of the people but it's not the only thing that matters.

"Future success should not be by the award but by the number of people we can engage," Grace said.

This is the first year that Wartburg has won the award. Tina Miller, director of human resources and wellness services for the Accel Group in Waverly, nominated

Wartburg for the award. Miller, who is on the Wartburg Wellness Council, works with the college to develop and implement wellness programs.

If there are big concerns among students or faculty Wiegmann would have different programs set up to talk about those certain topics and have different sorts of programs set up to help teach students and faculty about it.

With no new programs in the works right now Wartburg is always prepared for something new.

"I think you have to have something new, especially in health care," Wiegmann said.

Even with all that Wartburg offers there are still some things students would want to have.

"I really think there should be better workout equipment in the dorms," Mary Brown said. "The W' has really nice equipment and what if you can't make it there during their hours? Having better machines in the dorms would help."

Sara Morrissey said that Wartburg does provide a lot for students and that everyone needs to take advantage of what they provide.

"Wartburg makes their facilities accommodating for students and why wouldn't you use what they provide?" Morrissey said.

## Security heightened after discovery of a fake parking sticker

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A fake parking decal found on a car two weeks ago in N Lot has heightened Wartburg Security's awareness of parking violations.

Security officers discovered a permit on one car that security officer Douglas Main said "didn't look quite right." Upon further investigation, the numbering system on the sticker was not found in the security department's records.

"We were able to locate the owner after citing the vehicle," Main said. "The owner was fined and was referred to the disciplinary process in the student code of conduct."

The sticker was completely manufactured by the student. Main said the color and size of the font on the decal made the sticker very recognizable as false.

"It's extremely rare for someone to do this and face the financial fine, but then on top of that, face

the student code of conduct also," Main said.

The fraudulent parking permit has led security officers to become more wary of parking violations though they have made changes to create more options for students.

N Lot has been expanded this year by removing the V Lot designation from the lot that borders the Waverly Manors near the football field. This was due to a number of students illegally parking in V Lot last year.

"N Lot seems to be a very hot topic this year," Main said. "There's a large population of students that are right close to the N Lot."

Main said that now the eastern N Lot is more in demand whereas in previous years, it was not as greatly sought after.

Unlike other schools, Wartburg does not sell more parking permits than their lots have space for.

"If there are 110 spaces for N Lot, there are 110 cars that fit there," Main said.

Just the same, most of Wartburg's students park in D Lot which is farthest away from campus. Angela Lau, who parks her car in D Lot, explained that she understands why students violate their parking privileges.

"I wish D Lot was paved because all the others are, and I know it's a freshman one, so you kind of work yourself up, but we pay so much money we should at least have paved parking lots," Lau said. "It's also farther away than all the others."

Lau said that she too has thought about parking in other lots closer to her dorm.

"I've been tempted but I didn't, because I knew I'd get a ticket," Lau said.

Main said those who park in D Lot are always welcome to request a ride back to their dorm if needed.

"People need to be reminded that for safety reasons, we will give a ride anytime," Main said. "Just call our number and an officer will come pick you up."



Wartburg security is on the look out for more forged parking stickers after finding a fake one a two weeks ago. — Emily Novotny/ TRUMPET

## Students show increased interest in Kastle Kapers auditions

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Over six extra slots were added to the Kastle Kaper audition list this year due to an increase in acts interested in trying out. Renee Voves, Associate Director of Alumni and Parent Relations, said the increase in interest is really exciting, but she owes the credit to the publicity committee.

"The committee was so dedicated this year, they did table tents,

they worked hard to make it this big of a success, and that was really great to see," Voves said.

With about 40 auditioning acts, Voves said the cutting process was much harder this year.

"You don't like to cut people, but that's how it is. I think it's harder for the students on the committee, but we decided on a system that's fair and gets us the best possible show," Voves said.

Brooke Lentz, a member of the

Kastle Kapers committee, said it is tough to cut people, especially when you know some of the acts.

"The whole process is exciting and fun, but it's hard to cut because you know people are trying their hardest and want it really bad. I just try to encourage them to try out again next year and explain that it's not personal – to them and myself," Lentz said.

Kastle Kapers typically consists of about 15-16 acts and the acts are

given four minutes to perform. Because of the increased number of acts, about half of those auditioning will have to be cut.

"It's my hope that people saw something they liked in last year's show, got inspired and wanted to add something different to the show's dynamics and that's why we got such an overwhelming response this year," Lentz said.

The acts are rated and the judging sheets are ranked at the end of

the auditions, but category is also a factor in deciding what acts are selected for the final show.

"We try to categorize, too, because the top 10 scoring acts might all be soloists or music groups, but we can't have a show with just soloists or music groups. We have to bring variety and pick acts that will make the best, most interesting show for the audience," Lentz said.



## NEWS

# Hazing practices 'accepted' in '60s and '70s

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because now as I think back I think 'you wouldn't really have to do that,' but we did."

Last week was National Hazing Prevention Week.

Moeller said when freshmen arrived on campus they had to buy a beanie and put their name and where they were from on the front of it. Freshmen had to "button," or bow down, to upperclassmen in their beanies on command.

"I think it was called buttoning because on the top of the beanie there was a button," Moeller said. "The phrase you were supposed to use was 'oh most honorable Wartburg sophomore I am but a poor and lowly freshmen,' and they would make you button to different things like the fountain."

Moeller said she thought this was a good way to get to know the other students.

The other orientation methods took place in the dorms because of an 8:30 p.m. curfew for the women.

"Sometimes we were all getting ready for bed when we were called out into the hall to do exercises or march up to the second floor and

do something and it was always unexpected," Moeller said.

The orientation methods were different for the men on campus because they did not have as early of a curfew as the women.

Trachte said the freshmen were at the mercy of the sophomores because they were in charge of the initiation. Part of this initiation included being baptized in the fountain and going from a squire to a knight, Trachte said.

"The downside is that some of the things that went on in the residence halls were not nearly as nice or controlled," Trachte said. "When I arrived there was a huge problem with forced alcohol drinking."

Trachte said, on some occasions men were driven around with blindfolds and dumped outside of town in their underwear.

Ashley Lang, director of campus programming, said she serves on the national hazing week prevention committee and has other experience with researching the effects of hazing.

She said a lot of the things the students went through would be considered hazing in today's society.



Wartburg freshmen were forced to wear beanies and bow to upperclassmen in 1961. — Submitted photo

"In the '60s and '70s things like that were probably accepted. Maybe they weren't acceptable but they were accepted and so in today's society we have gotten very strict on what we specifically call out as hazing or inappropriate behavior,"

Lang said.

Moeller and Trachte said the goal of the orientation or initiation was to bring the freshmen together and bond.

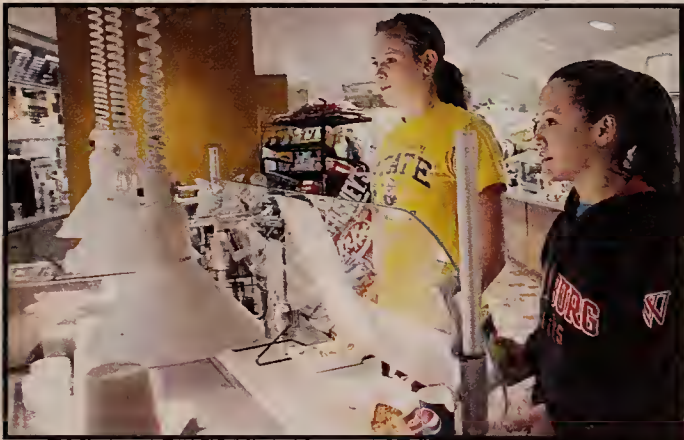
"That's one point that is brought up very frequently when it comes

to discussions on hazing," Lang said. "But my question in return is, 'is it really necessary to potentially harm someone or put that opportunity out there to be harmed if you really care about that person and want to get to know them?'"

## Meal transfer policies limit time to pick up food

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New meal transfer policies are being enforced this year and may take some adjusting, but are for the benefit of the system as a whole, Margaret Empie, director of dining and retail services said.



Jordan Higgins (left) and Paige Homyak pick up their meal transfers in the Den. — Emily Novotny/ TRUMPET

The policy implemented last May Term states that students have 20 minutes after their meal transfer is scheduled to pick it up, but after that 20 minute period the food will be disposed of and no longer available for pickup.

"We do it because we want the food quality to be good, and also

because the webfood system allows us to have a good flow in the kitchen," Empie said.

Empie said the policies are in place to help even out the system.

"In the past we haven't abided by our own rules, and that's not how the system is designed to work," Empie said.

Alexandra Ciota said the change isn't a huge inconvenience, but she can see where it could increase waste for the college up front.

"At first I think I can see more waste being produced because students aren't used to it, but we just need to increase our accountability and realize that if we don't eat it, it's going to waste," Ciota said.

Empie said she hasn't heard any negative buzz around campus concerning the new policies.

"Usually by the time it gets to me a student will come in, or staff will get frustrated and talk to me about the issue," Empie said.

"Nobody's talked to me about it yet this year."

Empie said she is aware of the issues surrounding the times available for the meal transfers and there are other options.

"Sometimes if students really can't eat at a certain time, I might suggest to them that they use the sack lunch system," Empie said.

From 6:30 to 9:45 a.m. students can go into the Mensa and use a board swipe for lunch or dinner, or both and take food to go. This is typically a sandwich, though Empie said sometimes they will do casseroles or soups or cold pizza to be heated up later.

"We've actually added meal transfer times over the last couple years because I wanted students be able to eat later because some students' schedules are really crammed together," Empie said. "I don't want students to skip meals."

## Shah offers solutions to malaria epidemic

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challenge was hardest for her to overcome.

"Since it doesn't affect me personally I didn't really know much about how to help. I might not do much now since I am in school, but maybe in the future," Edeker said.

Edeker said she plans to use the Wartburg Malaria Initiative to better understand how she can help and be involved in the political problem of malaria.

Shah said the power of malaria astounded her during her research. She said that the parasite had a significant role in both the rise and the fall of the Roman Empire and in current global economics.

"That's probably its biggest contributor to the world we live in today. There are some obvious relationships between economics and malaria. If you're poor, you're more likely to get malaria," she said. "But what we're finding out now is that malaria can cause poverty too."

Shah emphasized the importance of continuing the study of malaria.

Her solution is to empower local communities through agricultural changes, and economic uplift programs.

"Mosquitoes always held this fearsome power in my mind as a child," Shah said. "As I learned more about malaria, I've understood that mosquitoes have this fearsome power over really all of us."

## Interfaith Chapel allows students to explore religions

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This year Wartburg College and the religion department are starting a new program called Interfaith Chapel.

Interfaith Chapel gives thanks for a variety of religious traditions and provides a reflection and sacred writings from those religions within the context of a regular chapel worship, Ramona Bouzard, dean of the chapel, said.

"It's an opportunity to hear about other religions," Bouzard said.

Every last Wednesday of the month there will be a new speaker talking about their religion during

the regular chapel time. Bonita Bock, co-director of Wartburg West, will be the speaker this month. While she is Christian, she will talk about her work with faith in Denver, Colo., Bouzard said.

This marks the first year of having Interfaith Chapel at Wartburg, but it has been in the works for a few years. In years past Wartburg would have faculty talk but at that time there was controversy, Bouzard said.

"We have done so much work to open up the community," Bouzard said.

Micah Peters said having this opportunity is important to learn about others in the community so people can have a correct view of

others and their religion.

"It keeps people from drawing conclusions about different faiths," Peters said.

Going to Interfaith and having an opportunity to learn from others will benefit students, faculty and staff, she said. They can learn what it feels like to be part of religious rituals that are not part of their particular faith tradition, Bouzard said.

"We are trying for once a month to get area pastors to speak about their church," Bouzard said.

Interfaith is a great way to connect with others you might not have connected with before.

"This is a great opportunity to learn about members of our

Wartburg community and wonder about the mystery of God," Bouzard said.



Kunihiro Terasawa, assistant professor in world religions, spoke at Interfaith Chapel in September. — Emily Novotny/ TRUMPET



## OPINION &amp; EDITORIAL

## Every penny counts for Malaria Initiative

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If your eyes and ears have been open to hearing the latest “buzz” on campus, it’s likely you’ve heard something about malaria, the Wartburg Malaria Initiative or mosquitoes.

The past couple of weeks, news about malaria has been traveling quickly across campus.

Numerous educational opportunities have been presented to the Wartburg community, including, recent informative presentations

and the latest convocation, featuring Sonia Shah, an award winning investigative journalist and malaria researcher.

So what’s the big deal? In Africa, there is a disease that is claiming more lives than war, malnutrition or heart disease.

Malaria is claiming a child’s life every sixty seconds.

Over 655,000 people in Africa will die from malaria this year.

But get this— malaria is treatable and preventable. No child, no woman or man, simply no one, has to die from a single mosquito bite.

There are so many ways to get involved in the fight to eradicate malaria.

Opportunities for student involvement are varied.

Students can work with youth in local congregations; they can become involved in the fundraising effort and students can help spread the “buzz” about the Wartburg Malaria Initiative.

Wartburg has been given an incredible opportunity to join hands with the ELCA Malaria Campaign, and to actively work in the fight to eradicate malaria.

There will be even more opportunities to get involved in the initiative throughout both family weekend and homecoming weekend.

Stop by the Wartburg Malaria Initiative table during either weekend, and decorate a jar that you can use to collect your spare change as a contribution to the initiative.

The fundraising goal of the Wartburg Malaria Initiative has been set at \$35,000 over the course of the school year.

Every penny counts, because through a generous grant that Wartburg received, every donation made towards the initiative will be matched 100 percent.

The money raised through the initiative will be used for preventative medication, medication that helps to treat malaria, educational opportunities and community programs that encourage community growth in countries within Africa.

Students have so many commitments; classes, work, athletics, leadership positions and involvement in other organizations.

So, why sign on to one more

commitment?

We are blessed to have the opportunity to receive an exceptional education, we are blessed to have health care and medication at our fingertips and we are blessed to be able to live our lives without fear of dying from a single mosquito bite.

Let me remind you- malaria is treatable and preventable. You can make a difference.

Whether it’s a monetary donation, a donation of time, talent or prayer— you have the ability to help make a difference in the fight to eradicate malaria.

For more information on how to get involved with the Malaria Initiative on campus go to [www.wartburg.edu/malaria](http://www.wartburg.edu/malaria).

## Choice Words | WARTBURG SOUNDS OFF

The Hope Overflow Concert made my night! Why don't we have more groups like this on campus? Thanks Hope Overflow for showing how music can be a ministry to others!

- Loves faith and music

Dear Wartburgers,  
Greetings from Wartburg West: where the mountains reach beautifully into the clouds, the city shines bright in the starry sky and the Knights are living the good life. Love,

-Your Fall 2012 Mile-Highers

All you can eat should include an “all you can eat later” clause. I can't sit there for three hours eating wings. I've got places to be.

- Where's my box?

Dear weather,  
Make up your mind already.

- Shorts or a parka?

Thank you Iowa TV gods for finally playing the Vikings game!

- Missing Minnesota

The only discussion I've been engaged in and felt very strongly about in philosophy was about fashion.

- No socks and sandals

I like toiles.

- Jonathon the Zombie

People in the skywalk coming toward me— don't you DARE walk through my right hand door and make me wait.

- Did you pass driver's ed?

Dear Waverly Drivers,  
It's okay to turn at a speed faster than 3 mph. You'll be fine, I promise.  
-Should have been a NASCAR driver

Freshmen,  
How was your awesome Outfly?  
Now you know, don't listen to the hype.

- Only the President knows...

Since when is “May the odds be ever in your favor” a saying from the Olympics? I had my Mockingjay pin at the ready for Outfly.

- I feel so cheated

If every Monday has to be “beer therapy” night, something's gotta give.

-Over-involved

Fall is my favorite time of year. The campus looks like a postcard and smells like hot cocoa.

- Love this season

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## Body image struggles and victories

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In January of 2012 actor Demi Moore was hospitalized for “exhaustion,” following a painful breakup with her husband of six years.

Although Moore is a celebrity and we are not supposed to feel sorry for celebrities, I am sad that, at almost fifty years of age and an accomplished actress, Moore does not believe she is worthy of love, and that her body, upon which she has placed her worth, has “betrayed” her.

I think about women in my own generation—those of us in our late thirties and forties, who grew up watching Demi Moore’s movies in the wake of second wave feminism—a movement from which we have benefitted and that has left many of us feeling strangely

paralyzed by the myriad choices left in its wake.

Growing up in the 1980s, I remember how the body seemed to be the enemy—something to be whipped into shape.

Many films of the era indicated a preoccupation with mastery and battle, whether it related to sexual conquest, taming nature, and/or the body—sculpting it, battling its “bulge,” making its parts into steel, generally beating it into submission.

I loved “Flashdance” and “Footloose,” especially their training montages, which evoked other films like “Vision Quest,” the “Rocky” films and “Karate Kid.”

These stories, set in hardworking American small towns, are about underdogs that become hard bodies, pushing themselves to the brink.

They are stories that feature and emphasize thin, muscled bodies, bodies that aspire to be spirits soaring over the mire of poverty, boredom and mediocrity.

These characters’ conquering

physical pain becomes a metaphor for “conquering life.”

Even though there are obvious flaws in this logic, it is understandable, and it is still part of our American story.

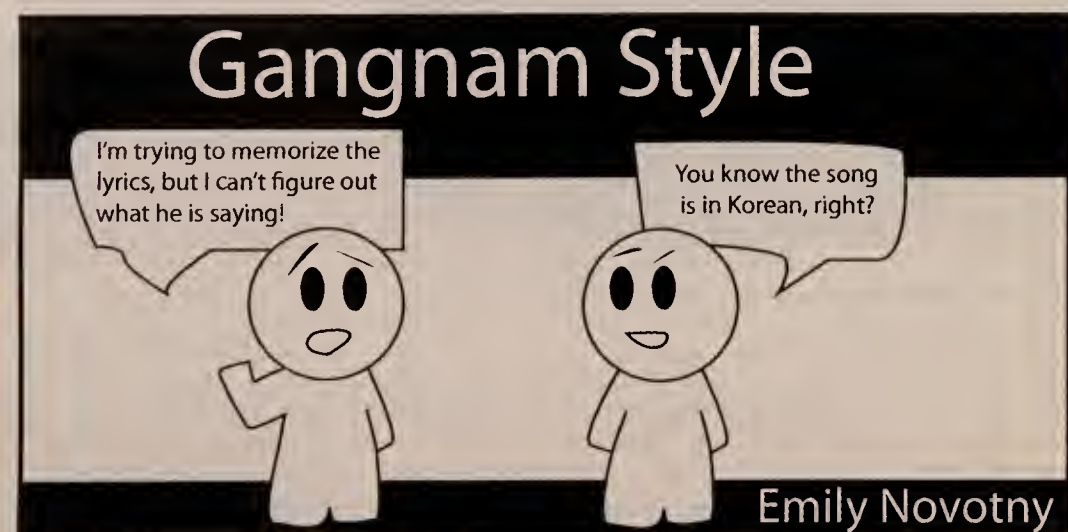
It is part of my personal story, as well, as that is why I feel such passion and compassion for people who struggle quietly and individually, even if not in the public eye like Demi Moore.

My wish for Demi Moore is not only that she “find love” from someone else.

My wish for this celebrity-stranger is the same for myself and everyone I know.

It is to reunite with that original loveliness that resides in all children before they are indoctrinated by this culture. That the part of us that can't be killed off by diet, drugs, exercise, surgery or any other means we have for avoiding pain not disappear.

That this part of her who will love her unconditionally if she would just let her in, be allowed to take over.



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## KNIGHTLIFE

# Preparations begin for Christmas with Wartburg

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The Neumann crew is already building this year's Christmas with Wartburg set.

Although September has almost ended, Hans Pregler said the designing and building of the set has been happening for a long time.

Pregler is Wartburg's production manager and one third of the Christmas with Wartburg design team.

"We have meetings in the summer to come up with ideas and the jokes that go around are actually what become," Pregler said. "Some are kind of ridiculous. We say next year Christmas with Wartburg should be in 3D."

Pregler said the set is driven by the theme. This year's theme is Christ the Rose.

Lee Nelson and Chris Knudson are the other creative team members for CWW. This is the second year Knudson has designed the large backdrop and central set piece to the show.

"The mural and technique is completely different from last year. It will be much more bright, lots of very vivid colors. The whole point of the mural is to illuminate the script, to give a visual to the music," Knudson said.

Nelson is the CWW artistic

director who brings all the different pieces together to form the production.

"I'm always excited about Christmas with Wartburg. I am so passionate about the concert and the whole experience. This year I am really excited about the theme, using the symbolism of Christ as the Christmas rose," Nelson said.

Nelson said the theme allows for amazing imagery in the backdrop which is inspired by Isaiah 11.

Knudson said there is a lot of symbolism in the backdrop making the mural more artistic. The Christmas story will not be as obvious from the mural this year as it was last year.

Pregler said there are some new elements the Neumann Crew is trying out for this year's show. They have added a new style of light and there will be a surprise building effect.

A lot of work has already gone into the production and with the students on Neumann beginning to help, Pregler predicts for every minute of the show there will be two hours of preparation that go behind it.

Nelson said they are definitely ahead of schedule this year compared to the past four years.

"The whole artistic side is already put together. We are in great shape," Nelson said.

Knudson said, before last year's



Richard Bett, print shop coordinator (left), Hans Pregler (center) and Chris Knudson (right) are printing decorations for Christmas with Wartburg. —Submitted photo

CWW was done they were already talking about the 2012 performance.

Pregler said Neumann Crew began to physically build the set a week ago and will begin changing around the auditorium the second week of November.

"The feedback we get from people has been incredible and it's

something that makes our program distinctive," Knudson said. "It gives the audience something extra special that they can look forward to every single year."

Both Pregler and Nelson said the show is getting better and better every year. They suggest customers to get their tickets early.

"It's always been a beautiful

tradition, but the interest in this concert, this kind of reinvention of Christmas with Wartburg, has really inspired people," Nelson said.

Tickets go on sale November 5 and can be ordered by phone at 319-352-8691.

## 'Gangnam Style' dances its way onto Wartburg campus



Reid Cook (right) and teammates performing to Gangnam Style at the ETK event Silent Commons. — Emily Novotny/TRUMPET

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Korean rapper and pop-star Psy has sparked the worldwide internet sensation "Gangnam Style," receiving over 300 million views on YouTube.

Now the Internet craze has reached the steps of Wartburg College.

Zach Stanley recalls the first time he ever watched the music video.

"It's kind of my style with the different random clips in the video," Stanley said. "I really liked it."

Another Wartburg student originally from Daegu, South Korea, shares similar views.

However, he said the video goes

beyond comedy and depicts a social commentary easily seen by Korean viewers.

"The combination of cheesy dancing and clashing dress mocks a lifestyle lived in Korea where people dress wealthy but live beyond means," Tae-Whan Kim said.

Kim said, the term "Gangnam" refers to a wealthy district in Korea and Psy's concept behind the video is his claim of the lifestyle of a resident from the district.

The music video was posted on July 15 and has reached number one on the iTunes charts.

It has also earned Psy guest appearances on shows like "Saturday Night Live" and "The Ellen DeGeneres Show."

Music Professor Maria Survilla

who specializes in the area of ethnomusicology said that one of main factors to explain the sudden success of the song is the infamous "galloping" dance Psy demonstrates.

"If there was no dance, people wouldn't have the patience," Survilla said.

Survilla said many other components come into play when understanding the viral success not just musically, but culturally.

She says Psy's hit song will help put Korea in the spotlight and on the map.

"With something like this, it opens up people's curiosity wanting

*"Where you can't understand lyrics, people go for the phenomena of a dance craze."*

—Maria Survilla

to know more about what happens in that cultural environment," she said.

"For people in Korea, most of them are cheering, I'm sure," Survilla said.

Kim said the large reaction to the musician's music video is a

surprising, but positive response for his home country.

"Out of all of the songs, I had no idea this would hit the U.S.," said Kim.

"For people in Korea, I think it's a step further in educating people and getting their attention."

In the end, he said he wants to look back on it as a positive part of his life and the lives of others in his generation.

"I think it will be part of a great memory that everyone can relate to," Kim said.

"It will remind us of those good old times we had in college."

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## KNIGHTLIFE

# ETK's Silent Commons returns to Wartburg



Some participants had to chew gum found under a table for thirty seconds. — Emily Novotny/TRUMPET

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Laughter and whispers were heard in Cardinal Commons Sept. 26 at Silent Commons, Entertainment ToKnight's recent event.

Silent Commons is based off the television show on MTV called "Silent Library." Players are broken up into six teams of six and are expected to complete challenges without making a lot of noise. If the noise level is exceeded or the challenge is not completed, the team does not receive points.

"I came and watched the event because I thought it would be

funny and I've seen the show before," Courtney Harksen said. "I definitely wasn't disappointed."

Round one began with an overview of how to play and then the games began. Challenges consisted of "junk-in-the-trunk," "chubby bunny" and "how's it hanging." The first round ended with "fruit shoot" where players passed a grape from mouth-to-mouth without using their hands.

"The audience really reacted well to each challenge and brought a lot of energy to the event," Cody Osegard, Entertainment ToKnight president, said.

The second round consisted of

partners eating cheese and crackers off each other's faces, yanking clothes pins off ears, eating eight warheads at the same time and taking a shot of pure hot sauce. The round favorite consisted of one player being chosen to pull all the used gum off the bottom of the table and chew it for thirty seconds.

"You are truly disgusting," Brandon Hosch, host of the event, said.

The final round was the hardest of the three and brought very interesting challenges. One team was expected to cover their leg in duct tape and rip it off, go bobbing for sardines in freezing water and eat an ice cream sundae topped with hotdog toppings.

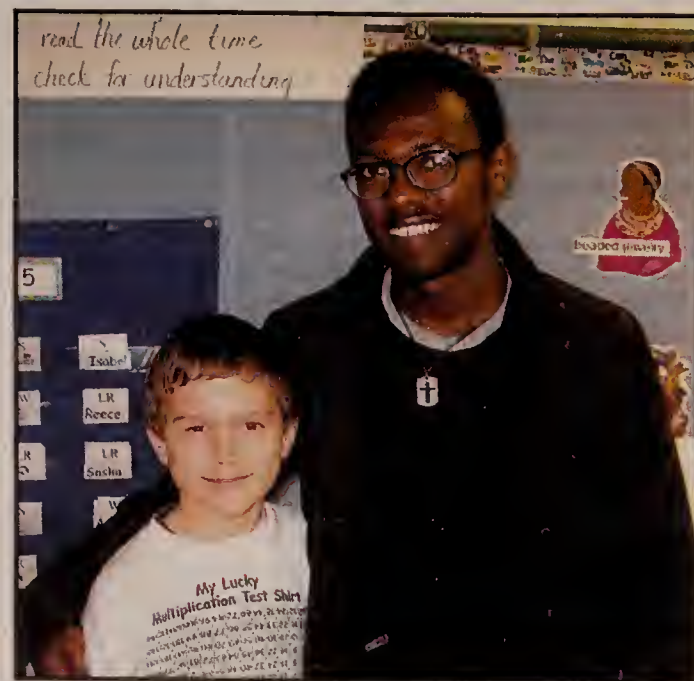
The game ended with a tie breaker between The Helen Kellers and Bosco plus Two. This resulted in a dance off to the recent fad "Gangnam Style."

"Participating in this game was completely awkward and hilarious," Reid Cook, part of the winning team The Helen Kellers, said. "My whole team and I know and love the song 'Gangnam Style' and had a blast."

Entertainment Toknight staff was pleased with the turnout and the overall reaction at the event. Osegard said the goal of the club this year is to host more events where students can get involved.

"Instead of always hosting events where the students have to watch, we're focusing a lot on getting students involved and active in the events," Osegard said. "There will be plenty more events like this in the future."

Entertainment Toknight's next event will consist of a campus wide game called Humans vs. Zombies which will take place sometime during October.



Woldemariam's (right) host family consists of students at St. Paul's Lutheran Church and School. — Jeanne Edson/TRUMPET

## An international student's unique host family

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For many Wartburg students, the comforts and familiarity of home, family and friends are just a phone call or a short drive away. The international student population does not have those luxuries.

Wartburg has recognized the solace a host family can provide to an international student

Fitsum Woldemariam has a unique host family. Woldemariam is paired with Lisa Rupp's third grade class from St. Paul's Lutheran Church and School.

Because of his unique placement, Woldemariam has the opportunity to meet a variety of local families, Jenna Rinehart, director of international student services, said.

"We believe this experience will give him a truer sense of the local culture, since he has the chance to interact with families from many different backgrounds," Rinehart said.

Host families are invited to take part in several activities on campus to help further their relationship with their international student.

"We asked them [the third grade class at St. Paul's] to have one or more of the families from the class attend and provide food at each of the three events (potlucks) that we have throughout the year with all of the host families," JoAnn Strotman, office coordinator of the international programs office, said.

Woldemariam said he looks forward to interacting with the third graders.

"I do not purposely go to my host families to teach them anything, but in my visit we share different life experiences," Woldemariam said. "I do not demand anything from my host families. Having a good relationship with them is enough for me."

The students will benefit from the experience, Rinehart said.

"We hope that building a relationship with someone from a different country will pique the third grade students' interest in exploring other cultures in the future," Rinehart said. "These students can learn at a young age that individuals who may initially seem very different from you actually share many similarities."

## A cappella groups bring new sounds to campus

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Music is always filling the halls of the Fine Arts Center. Wartburg is home to several music groups including two a cappella groups.

Festeburg and Infinity help bring a cappella to Wartburg.

"Festeburg's main focus is on classical a cappella music. Infinity is a mixed group, with anywhere from 8-12 members I believe. Their main focus for music is pop and songs that are heard on the radio," Ryan Harms, Festeburg member said.

Harms said Festeburg is an all male group formed five to six years ago by a group of guys that just wanted to hang out and sing. When it was first formed, Festeburg was an extension of the Wartburg Choir. However, this group is now its own organization.

"We still maintain the core values of the group that have been in place since the beginning," Harms



Infinity arranges their own music. — Emily Novotny/TRUMPET

Infinity is the other a cappella choir on campus. This choir consists of Wartburg Choir members. When arranging music, each Infinity members contributes in some way, Kevin Schneider, Infinity member said.

"Infinity members have a passion for singing pop music and entertaining those who enjoy unique and fun arrangements of familiar songs," Schneider said.

Harms said in order to join Festeburg, applicants need to be second year or higher and part of Ritterchor.

Auditions are held in the spring and veteran members pick the new members.

Infinity auditions are open to any Wartburg Choir member Schneider said.

Infinity puts on a Valentine's Day concert and Festeburg has a December concert.



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## SPORTS

# Knights lead IIAC after two rounds

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Aiming for a sixth straight conference championship, the Wartburg women's golf team leads the IIAC tournament by sixteen strokes after two rounds.

The first two rounds of the tournament were held Friday and Saturday at Pheasant Ridge Golf Club in Cedar Falls.

The Knights jumped out to the lead Friday, shooting a team score of 307.

Luther was in second with 317 and Simpson, led by Jennifer Gaffney's even par 72, was third with a team score of 328.

The Knights extended their lead to 16 strokes on Saturday by shooting 312 for a total score of 619. Luther remains in second after Saturday's score of 318 gave them a total

of 635.

Meanwhile, Simpson dropped to fifth after a 347 on Saturday and Central moved up to third with a 332 on Friday and a 331 on Saturday.

Individually, Kelsi Sawatzky is tied for the conference lead with Loras' Abby Potts. They each shot a 152.

Gaffney and Wartburg's Samantha Heinen are tied for third with scores of 154.

Wartburg's Taylor Roberts currently rounds out the top five with her two-round score of 156.

Molly McDonough shot a 158 and is in eighth place, meaning four Knights are in all-conference position after the first weekend of play.

Morgan McMillin is only one spot away from all-conference as

she is tied for 11th with a score of 180.

The final two rounds will be held this Friday and Saturday at Bos Landen Golf Club in Pella.

## IIAC WOMEN'S GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP (after round two)

Wartburg	619
Luther	635
Central	663
Loras	665
Simpson	675
Coe	713
Dubuque	715
Buena Vista	736

## Volleyball beats Simpson, splits at UW-Whitewater tournament

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The No. 15 ranked Wartburg volleyball team went up against Simpson Wednesday and swept the IIAC opponent 3-0 (25-18, 25-17, 25-21).

"One of the big things we wanted to do was come out stronger than we have in the past," head coach Jennifer Walker said.

Bailey Wilson and Britlyn Sieck led the team with 10 kills each with Wilson having a .714 hitting percentage.

"Bailey did an excellent job, especially in that last set, of really connecting with Ramey [Sieck] with really quick and explosive hits," Walker said.

Maddie Forsyth and Kelly Niemann also pitched in with 9 kills of their own.

Wartburg limited Simpson's offense, allowing only a .029 and .061 hitting percentage in the first two sets.

Both teams were almost even in the team block category with Wartburg having seven and Simpson six.

The Knights improved to 3-0 in the Iowa Conference while Simpson fell to 1-2.

The Volleyball team also competed in the UW-Whitewater tournament this weekend.

The Knights beat Cornell 3-2 (26-24, 21-25, 25-18, 23-25, 15-12) in their first match.

Wartburg then had their school-record 15-match winning streak snapped in the next game against

No. 11 Elmhurst when they lost 3-2 (25-17, 23-25, 21-25, 26-24, 15-11).

Wartburg faced No. 12 UW-Whitewater in their first match Saturday, winning 3-2 (25-18, 25-16, 20-25, 16-25, 15-6).

Britlyn Sieck led the Knights in kills for that game with 15 and also contributed 10 digs. Ramey Sieck had 11 kills, 36 assists and 14 digs, another triple double. Bailey Wilson also came away with 14 kills.

The Knights had great hitting percentage in their sets that they won .241, .33, and .375. However in the two sets they lost they, only hit an average of .089.

The Knights finished the tournament losing to UW-Oshkosh 3-2 (17-25, 26-28, 25-18, 25-17, 15-5).

Wartburg returns to conference play Tuesday when they travel to Storm Lake to take on Buena Vista

## IIAC VOLLEYBALL STANDINGS

Wartburg	3-0	16-3
Coe	3-0	13-6
Dubuque	2-1	9-11
Loras	2-1	7-11
Luther	1-2	8-8
Simpson	1-2	5-12
Buena Vista	0-3	4-14
Central	0-3	3-11

## Men sixth at Griak Cross country teams host Dan Huston Invitational Saturday

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The men's team finished sixth at the Roy Griak Invitational with 194 points, 12 points ahead of seventh place St. Olaf.

The Oles are ranked No. 1 in the Central Region while the Knights are No. 5.

The only team in the region that beat Wartburg was No. 2 Central. The Dutch tied for fourth with 103 points.

No. 3 Loras and No. 4 Luther did not compete at the Griak Invitational.

UW-La Crosse won the meet with 45 points.

Top individual performers included Sam Reid finishing 15th with a time of 26:18, Chase Moser finishing 26th with a time of 26:38, and Bennett Moser running a 26:50 for 33rd.

Parker Comentino placed 52nd with a 27:20 while Shane Warehime took 68th with a 26:18 to wrap up the team scoring.

"We had great performances on both teams and we're excited about our next meet at home next week," said head coach Steve Johnson, head cross country coach.

This Saturday, the Knights will host their first and only home meet of the season.

The Dan Huston Invitational begins at 10:45 a.m. with the women's race. The men's race will follow that at 11:30 a.m.

The women will be looking to defend their 2011 Dan Huston championship in which they scored 69 points, holding off Gustavus Adolphus by four.

The men placed third last year with 83 points, 20 behind champion Loras.

## Wartburg gets revenge against UW-Whitewater



Brinkley Werkman tries to take the ball away from two UW-Whitewater defenders. —Shelby Granath/TRUMPET

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Three second-half goals led to a 4-1 Wartburg (7-1-2) victory Sunday in a non-conference match against UW-Whitewater (7-4).

The Wartburg win avenged a loss last season in the NCAA Tournament, which the Warhawks won in a penalty kick shootout.

Cathy Reiter started the scoring

in the second minute to put the No. 22 ranked Knights up 1-0.

Wartburg remained in front until Christina Tooren scored with just 12 seconds left until halftime.

Reiter scored the winning goal in the 52nd minute off an assist from Kaylee Benning to put Wartburg up 2-1.

Brinkly Werkman scored two minutes later and the Knights had

a 3-1 lead.

Benning capped things off with a goal in the 77th minute to make the final score 4-1.

The Knights battle Simpson (7-2, 1-0) Thursday at 5:30 p.m. in Indianola and Coe (7-3-1, 1-1) Saturday at 5 p.m. at home in IIAC action this week.

Wartburg is currently the only IIAC team ranked in the top 25.

## Men's soccer back on winning track after home victory



Knight defenders scramble to clear the ball out of the box after a Warhawk free kick. —Shelby Granath/TRUMPET

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Bouncing back from an 8-2 loss to Carthage last Sunday, Wartburg (3-5-1) never trailed in a 3-2 victory against UW-Whitewater (4-3-1) Sunday.

The Knights led 2-0 at halftime

after goals from Zubeen Azari in the second minute and Brandon Cook in the 21st minute.

Kody Mjelde cut the Wartburg lead in the half in the 63rd minute but Cook responded with his second goal of the day 14 minutes later.

Logan Fye scored on a penalty

kick for UW-Whitewater in the 79th minute but the Knights held on for a 3-2 victory.

Wartburg will face two IIAC opponents this week including Simpson (8-4, 1-0) Thursday at 8 p.m. in Indianola and Coe (4-7-1, 1-1) Saturday at home at 7 p.m.

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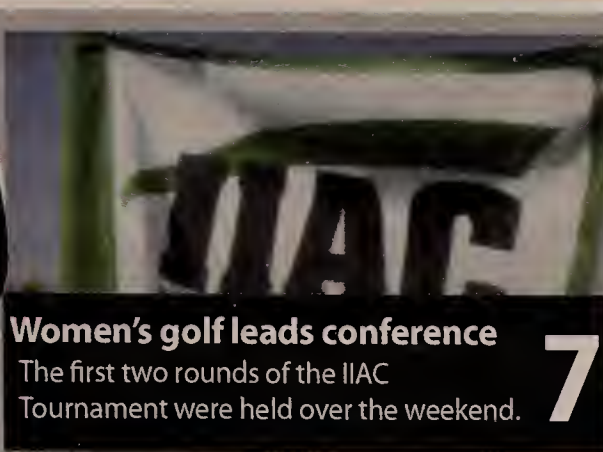
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**Women's golf leads conference**  
The first two rounds of the IIAC  
Tournament were held over the weekend.

## UPCOMING SCHEDULE

<b>Tuesday</b>	Volleyball @ Buena Vista
<b>Wednesday</b>	Women's Tennis vs. Loras
<b>Thursday</b>	M/W Soccer @ Simpson
<b>Friday</b>	Women's Golf @ IIAC (Pella) & Sat. Volleyball vs. Knights Classic
<b>Saturday</b>	Football @ Buena Vista Cross Country vs. Dan Huston Inv. M/W Soccer vs. Coe Volleyball vs. Knights Classic



# DÉJÀ VU



**Blocked extra point dooms Wartburg for second year in a row**



Wartburg players Logan Ruffridge (left) and Donald Miller (right) lie on the turf as Reese Thompson tries to console Ruffridge after the Knight's heartbreaking defeat. —Shelby Granath/TRUMPET

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What is thought to be one of the most routine plays in sports has led to two Wartburg losses to Simpson in the last two years.

Logan Schrader's five-yard touchdown pass to Donald Miller brought the Knights to within one point with 37 seconds left. All that was left was the extra point.

For the second time in the game though, Frank Loconti's kick was blocked.

"Everyone was a little weary to kick it or not," defensive back Garrett McGrane said. "We went with the decision to kick and it just didn't fall in place."

When asked if he thought the Knights should have tried the two point conversion, McGrane said it was up to the coach.

"That's Coach [Rick] Willis' decision so we really don't know. I guess we could have tried it but who knows," McGrane said.

Last year, the Knights answered a Storm touchdown in overtime but the extra point was blocked,

clinching the Simpson victory.

This year, Wartburg still had three timeouts remaining and got the ball back with 15 seconds to play.

As time expired, Schrader found Cywettne Brown down the sideline who pitched to Logan Ruffridge.

Ruffridge burst into open space but was tackled around the 20-yard line.

Wartburg led 13-0 at one time in the first half, but the Storm gradually battled back to take the lead.

The first quarter was largely a stalemate before Reese Thompson's two-yard run put the first points on the board.

Once again, the extra point was blocked and the Knights led 6-0.

"We played well in the first quarter. We came out and scored that touchdown. We played the beginning hard and the end hard, just not the middle," assistant coach Dan Stiefel said.

Cywettne Brown scored the first touchdown of his career as Schrader found him open in the right corner just in front of the endzone.

The 30-yard touchdown completed a 67-yard drive seven minutes into the second quarter and put Wartburg up 13-0.

Less than one minute later, Storm quarterback Taylor Nelson tossed a screen pass to Brad Vogel who took it 76 yards to the endzone.

This time it was Wartburg that blocked Simpson's extra point and the score remained 13-6 Knights at halftime.

Simpson drove the ball to the Wartburg five yard line but Ryan Billings made a diving interception in the endzone on fourth down to end the scoring threat.

The interception was Billings' second of the game, with his first coming in the second quarter, eventually leading to a field goal attempt that was blocked.

On the very next Storm possession in the fourth, they faced another fourth down. But this time, Nelson found Taylor Rogers in the endzone for a 21-yard touchdown that tied the game at 13.

Wartburg was forced to punt on their next drive and with 1:42

remaining, Nelson found Rogers streaking down the sideline for 43 yards and Simpson led for the first time.

It was up to Schrader and the Knight offense to tie the game and force overtime for a second straight year.

Schrader led an 83-yard scoring drive, going 5-for-6 through the air, eventually finding Miller in the endzone to bring Wartburg within one point.

Stiefel was in a similar situation against Simpson last year, leading the team to an overtime touchdown before losing on a blocked extra point.

"It's a lot of pressure," Stiefel said. "There's no other feeling then losing by one point like that. No worse feeling losing by one point and I felt it last year."

The Knights were all too familiar with what happened next though as they dropped their first conference game.

Simpson improved to 3-1 overall and 1-0 in the IIAC while Wartburg is now 2-2 and 0-1.

Schrader went 18-for-25 for 295 yards, two touchdowns and one interception.

Wartburg's defense, one of the top units in the country, held the Storm to negative-14 yards rushing.

McGrane said he is still optimistic about the season, pointing out that it's only the first conference game and that the Knights need to get back to working on the basics.

"The conference is still up in the air and there's a lot of good teams. We just gotta work on our mistakes and come back stronger," McGrane said.

The Knights travel to Storm Lake this Saturday to take on the Beavers of Buena Vista (0-4, 0-1) at 1 p.m.

## IIAC FOOTBALL SCORES

Central	31-24	Dubuque
Coe	51-0	Buena Vista
Loras	28-25	Luther
Simpson	20-19	Wartburg

## Knights win four IIAC home matches

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The Wartburg women's tennis team had a busy week of matches with their first on Tuesday against IIAC opponent Dubuque, which they won 9-0.



Jenny Dallenbach, No. 1 singles player, freshman Michelle Davis won her match 6-2, 6-0.

In doubles play the No. 1 team of Davis/Evans won 8-1.

On Saturday, the Knights played a doubleheader match against two IIAC opponents, Simpson and Central.

Wartburg defeated Simpson 9-0 in the first match of the day.

Jenny Dallenbach won her singles match 6-0, 6-1 defeating Tiffany Bost.

The doubles team of Davis and Evans defeated Simpson's Bost and Allison 8-5.

Wartburg then faced Central which they won 7-2. Dallenbach defeated Angie Allgood 6-0, 6-4.

On Sunday the Knights faced another IIAC opponent, Buena Vista, in Waverly. They won that match 9-0.

The Knights will face Loras in their regular season finale Wednesday at home at 4 p.m.

No matter the result of that match, Wartburg will finish third in the IIAC standings and will compete in the IIAC team championships, featuring the top six teams in the conference, Oct. 5 in Iowa City.

The IIAC individual championships will take place Oct. 12 in Cedar Rapids.

## IIAC WOMEN'S TENNIS STANDINGS

Coe	7-0	8-1
Luther	6-1	10-1
Wartburg	4-2	8-3
Simpson	4-3	8-5
Central	3-4	8-4
Buena Vista	2-5	4-7
Dubuque	1-6	4-7
Loras	0-6	1-12

## Women's cross country places second in Minneapolis

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The Wartburg cross country teams brought impressive finishes to the 27th Annual Roy Griak Invitational held at the University of Minnesota

in Minneapolis, Minn.

The No. 10 ranked women's team placed second out of thirty teams, only twelve points behind champion No. 13 UW-Eau Claire.

The Knights are ranked No. 1 in the Central Region and defeated

every team in their region that was at the meet Saturday.

Individual performers included Alana Enabit placing third with a time of 22:05, Sammi Bruett placing 10th with a time of 22:47 and Haddi Vawter running a 23:31 to place 20th

out of around 400 runners.

Rounding out the team scoring were Erin Sawyers, who was 29th in 23:57 and Lauren Mapes' 24:14, good for 46th.

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